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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

## OF THREE (3) MONTHS FOR RESPONSE TO

## OFFICE ACTION AND PAYMENT OF FEE THEREOF

Dear Sir:

An Office Action dated July 10, 2001 was received in the above-identified Application, which set a time for response of three (3) months from the date thereof, requiring that a response be filed on or before October 10, 2001. Under 35 U.S.C. Section 133, the maximum period set for response is six (6) months.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a), the undersigned elects to extend the shortened statutory time from response by three (3) month, which extends the response date from October 10, 2001 to January 10, 2002. The Small Entity Fee set in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(3) for responding three (3) months beyond the shortened statutory time for response is \$460.00. A check for \$460.00 is enclosed. If any additional fees are due, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 13-2515.

Based on the above, the shortened statutory time for reply is extended three (3) months to January 10, 2002, by filing this Petition for an extension of time prior to or with the response due herein and payment of the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 10, 2002

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